

## Summary of Decisions

From the Dental Council meeting in September 2022

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The Dental Council (Council) is the statutory body constituted under the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003 (the Act) to maintain the health and safety of members of the public by providing mechanisms to ensure that health practitioners are competent and fit to practise. Council endeavours to keep its key stakeholders up to date with key decisions.

This document is a summary of Council's decisions from the meetings held in September 2022.

### Dental specialist competencies - Haumarutanga ahurea/Cultural safety domain consultation

In 2021, the Council reviewed and updated the competencies for the other oral health professions (excluding dental specialists). The biggest change was the inclusion of a new domain, *Haumarutanga ahurea/Cultural safety*, coming into effect for these practitioners in 2023.

The Council considered the proposed changes to the dental specialist competencies, namely the Haumarutanga ahurea/Cultural safety domain and competencies, as they appear in the current competencies for all other oral health professions, be included in all the dental specialist competencies, effective 1 January 2024.

Council agreed that the proposal would be issued for consultation in September/October 2022.

### AUT BHSc (oral health) conditions monitoring report

The Council accepted the Accreditation Committee's recommendation that the Auckland University of Technology Bachelor of Health Science in Oral Health programme has met monitoring conditions 8 – 10 related to clinical assessments.